

Penn Staters brush up on fitting for 'Little I'

UNIVERSITY PARK — Penn State's 65th Little International Livestock Exposition on April 24 will climax months of fund raising, catalogue production, and daily animal preparation. The Exposition is sponsored by the Block and Bridle Club.

Show day will begin at 8 a.m. at the Beef and Sheep Center, leading off with beef cattle and swine classes, followed by sheep and horses. Admission to the show is

free and the public is invited to attend.

Students "draw lots" for their animals several weeks before show day. This marks the beginning of six weeks of intensive training for both animals and contestants. Competition is keen for prizes in fitting and showing contests. Champions in each species compete for the grand championship.

Honors and prizes will be

awarded the evening of April 24 at the Little International banquet in the Htzel Union Building on campus. The banquet also will honor the distinguished alumnus of the year and the winner of the Glen R. Kean award for leadership. Members of the collegiate judging teams—who have competed in livestock, horse, and meat contests—will also be recognized.

Students majoring in animal production, with an outstanding

knowledge of showing the respective species, are selected as superintendents to help students with their animals. This year's superintendents include: Dave Wise of Spring Grove for beef cattle, Jerry McCammon of Schellsburg for sheep, Lee Johnston of New Alexandria for swine, and Sally Rhea of Waterford for horses.

Judges for the event include:

Terry Stockdale of New Alexandria for beef cattle; Tom McIlwain of Shady Plain for sheep; Joe Strittmatter of Quincy, Michigan for swine; and Tom Walker of Prosperity for horses.

The show manager is Robert Bortz of Apollo, senior is animal production. Assisting him is Scott Davenport of Montrose, junior in animal production. Harold Harpster is the faculty advisor for the Block and Bridle Club.

Livestock market and auction news

G&M Livestock

Monday, April 5
Duncansville, Pa.

Report supplied by auction

Compared to last week, market report steers-strong; cows-weak, hogs-higher.

STEERS: High Choice and Prime 66.00-68.00; Good to Choice 60.00-66.00; Standard to Good 56.00-60.20; Utility 50.00-56.00.

HEIFERS: Choice 60.00-64.00; Good to Choice 54.00-60.00; Standard 48.00-54.00; Utility 42.00-48.00.

FEEDERSTEERS: Good to Choice 300-600 lbs. 50.20-62.00; Standard to Good Heifers 300-600 lbs. 48.00-60.00.

BULLS: 1100-1650 lbs. 50.00-56.00; 900-1100 lbs. 42.00-52.00.

COWS: High Choice to Prime 43.00-45.00; Couple to 48.50; Good 40.00-43.00; Standard 38.00-40.00; Utility 36.00-38.00; Cutters 32.00-36.00; Canners Down to 30.00.

CALVES: High Choice 90.00-103.00; Good to Choice 70.00-90.00; Standard to Good 50.00-70.00; Utility Down to 30.00.

FARM CALVES: Hol. Bulls 90-

120 lbs. 65.00-91.00; Hol. Heifers 90-120 lbs. 75.00-110.00.

FEEDER PIGS: 25-35 lbs. 32.00-45.00; 35-50 lbs. 45.00-54.00.

HOGS: 200-240 lbs. 50.00-53.60; 170-300 lbs. 42.00-51.00.

SOWS: 42.00-52.75.

BOARS: 35.00-39.25.

LAMBS: Easter Trade 20-70 lbs. 65.00-106.00.

SHEEP: 15.00-32.50.

GOATS: 12.00-62.00.

New Holland Horse

Monday, April 5

New Holland Sales Stables

Report supplied by auction

Reported receipts of 167 head of horses, mules, and ponies. Market: steady.

Work horses 950.00-1225.00; Better horses 550.00-840.00; Driving horses 375.00-790.00; Riding horses 375.00-500.00; Lightweight killers 375.00-500.00; Heavyweight killers 550.00-685.00; Mare Ponies 40.00-125.00; Pony Colts 15.00-50.00; Geldings 40.00-125.00; Larger ponies 150.00-200.00.

Farm Calendar

Saturday, April 10
12th annual Maryland Holstein Show, 9:30 a.m., Timonium Fairgrounds.

Pa. Nut Growers Assn. grafting demonstration, 10 a.m.-2:30 p.m., Kutztown Grange.

Monday, April 12
Red Rose Beef Club leaders meeting, 7:30 p.m., Lancaster Farm & Home Center.

Tuesday, April 13
Poultry Sales & Service Conference, Penn State, continues tomorrow

Franklin County ASCS annual banquet, 7 p.m., Kauffman Ruritan Community Building

Bradford County Sheep & Wool Growers Assn., 7:30 p.m., Extension Office.

Adams Beef Producers meeting, 7:30 p.m., Extension Office, Gettysburg.

Lancaster County FFA public speaking contest, 9 a.m., Manheim Central.

Wednesday, April 14
Garden Spot 4-H Club, 7 p.m., Fellowship Hall, New Holland United Methodist Church.

U.S. International Food Show, New

York Coliseum, continues through Sunday.

Brtdford Dairy Princess Committee, 8 p.m., Towanda Extension Office.

Thursday, April 15
Warwick FFA Banquet, 6:30 p.m., Brickerville Fire Hall.

Friday, April 16
PEMA meeting, 6:30 p.m., Sheraton Conestoga, Lancaster.

Saturday, April 17
South Central Pa. Pork Producers feeder pig show & sale, Shippenburg Fairgrounds, show 10 a.m., sale 1 p.m.

Del Pork Producers show & sale, Carroll's Sale Barn, Felton, Del. show 10 a.m., sale 2 p.m.

Lancaster County FFA meats judging contest, 9 a.m., Kunzlers, Lancaster.

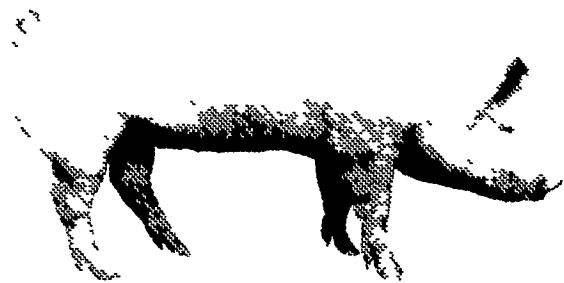


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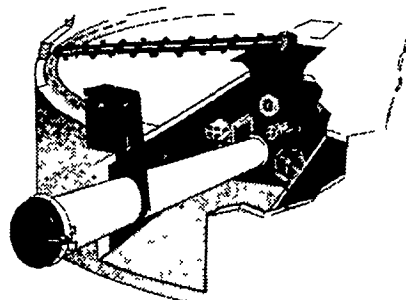


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